

Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 line 1, before the title.

In the specification, please amend the title on page 1, line 3-4 as follows:

--PARAMETER ELECTION METHOD WITH BALLOTING METHOD FOR THE SELECTION OF PARAMETERS IN PROTOCOLS (E.G. TANDEM FREE OPERATION TFO) ~~Parameter election method balloting method for the selection of parameters in protocols (e.g. tandem free operation TFO)~~--

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1 line 5, after the amended title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/DE02/00238 filed January 24, 2002 and claims the benefit thereof. The application is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 5, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, as follows:

--FIELD OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 10, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 2 line 16, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF INVENTION—

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 3 line 26,  
as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 4 line 10,  
as follows:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION--